

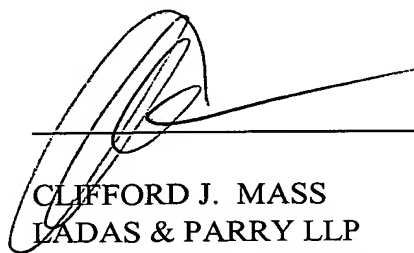
REMARKS

The Official Action of 14 October 2005 has been carefully considered and reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The indication that claim 7 would be allowable, if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims, is acknowledged with appreciation. The recitations from claim 7 have now been incorporated into its base claim, claim 1, and claim 1 is accordingly now in allowable form in accordance with the Examiner's comments. All other claims depend from claim 1, either directly or indirectly, and accordingly are also in allowable form.

Since the cited art has not been applied against the subject matter now claimed, and since there are no other objections or rejections of record, it is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance. An early notice of allowance is earnestly solicited and is believed to be fully warranted.

Respectfully submitted,

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